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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

CHINA.

Hongkong—Plague—Examination of Rats.

Surg. Brown reports: During the week ended February 3, 9 cases of plague with 8 deaths were reported at Hongkong.

During the week ended January 27, 1,824 rats were examined for plague infection, and during the week ended February 3, 1,942 rats. No plague-infected rat was found.

HAWAII.

Record of Plague Infection.

The last case of human plague at Honolulu occurred July 12, 1910.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Aiea, 9 miles from Honolulu, April 12, 1910.

A case of human plague was reported at Kapulena, Hawaii, October 28, 1911.

At Hilo the last case of human plague occurred March 23, 1910. At Honokaa, 60 miles from Hilo, a fatal case occurred April 20, 1911, a fatal case February 9, 1912, and 2 fatal cases February 25, 1912.

The last plague-infected rats reported found at Honokaa were 49 found during the week ended March 2, 1912. At Hilo a plague-infected rat was found during the week ended June 10, 1911, and 2 plague-infected rats were reported found February 29, 1912.

Honolulu—Plague—Prevention Work.

Chief Quarantine Officer Ramus reports:

	Week ended Feb. 17.	Week ended Feb. 24.
Total rats and mongoose taken.....	422	573
Rats trapped.....	412	381
Mongoose trapped.....	10	8
Rats killed by sulphur dioxide.....		184
Examined bacteriologically.....	372	503
Classification of rats trapped:		
<i>Mus alexandrinus</i>	54	50
<i>Mus musculus</i>	71	73
<i>Mus norvegicus</i>	54	46
<i>Mus rattus</i>	233	212
Average number of traps set daily.....	1,720	1,720
Classification of rats killed by sulphur dioxide:		
<i>Mus alexandrinus</i>		12
<i>Mus norvegicus</i>		171
<i>Mus rattus</i>		171

Death from Plague at Honokaa.

Dr. Ramus reported the occurrence of a death from plague March 18, at Honokaa.

Mosquito-Eradication Measures at Honolulu.

The following statement of the work of mosquito destruction at Honolulu was received from Passed Asst. Surg. McCoy, who is detailed as sanitary adviser to the Governor of the Territory of Hawaii: